Troopers Investigate Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash

Townsend- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that has claimed the life of a Dover man which occurred last night just south of Townsend.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident occurred at approximately 10:33 p.m. on Tuesday, November 29, 2016, as Michael Z. McGirr, 27, of Dover, was operating a 1999 Honda Accord and was traveling in a southbound direction on US13 (DuPont Parkway) just south of Blackbird Forest Road, Townsend. For an unknown reason, the Honda left the west edge of the roadway and began to rotate clockwise while traveling in a southwesterly direction. The left side of McGirr's vehicle then struck a tree where it came to rest.

Michael McGirr, who was properly restrained at the time of the crash, was pronounced dead at the scene. It is unknown if alcohol or drugs was a factor in the crash. However, excessive speed does appear to be a factor.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police. Traffic was not affected as a result of the crash.

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